GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5474
ANSWERED ON:28.04.2000
SMUGGLING OF URANIUM
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that a large quantity of uranium is being smuggled from Tamil Nadu to Pakistan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of cases of smuggling of uranium booked during each of the last three years and current year so far; and

(d) the preventive measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (REVENUE) IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE

(SHRI V. DHANANJAYA KUMAR)

(a): No, Sir. There is no report/intelligence avilable with the Government about smuggling of Uranium from Tamil Nadu to Pakistan.

(b) & (c): Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(d): All intelligence units and field formations under Customs Department including Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI)are vigilant & alert to detect & prevent smuggling of all contraband goods including Uranium.